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SUBJECT: INDONESIANS REQUEST CONSULAR ACCESS TO HAMBALI

REF: A. STATE 147082  
    ¶B. STATE 147063  
    ¶C. STATE 146996

Classified By: Amb. B. Lynn Pascoe, Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

¶1. (C) On September 8, PolCouns briefed Hasan Kleib, Department of Foreign Affairs Director (DEPLU) for International Security and Disarmament Affairs, on the transfer of Indonesian citizen prisoner Hambali from a secret location to the prison facility in Guantanamo Bay (refs a-c). Kleib requested consular access to Hambali. PolCouns replied that access issues were governed by Department of Defense regulations, but he would seek additional instructions from Washington. Kleib expected the Indonesian Embassy in Washington to approach DOD, but asked PolCouns to provide any further available information on the access process. The same day DEPLU spokesman Desra Percaya stated publicly Indonesia's continued desire for access to Hambali.

¶2. (C) On September 7, the Ambassador had briefed Presidential Foreign Affairs Advisor Dino Djalal on Hambali's transfer. Djalal took the information on board but offered no substantive reaction.

¶3. (C) We would appreciate any further information that we can provide to the GOI on DOD access rules.  
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